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The USOC Announces Public Favorites for the U.S. Olympic Spirit Award

WHAT: Brian Boitano, co-chair of the U.S. Olympic Spirit Award selection committee will reveal the public's favorite nominees for the U.S. Olympic Spirit Award to date, and will be available for interviews following the press conference. Rudy Giuliani, honorary co-chair of the selection committee, will announce the winners in New York on Feb. 26.

WHY: The U.S. Olympic Spirit Award is a public award that recognizes American athletes who overcome adversity to reach their Olympic goals. These are the great human interest stories about athletes who become a symbol of the Olympics in which they compete and are remembered long after the close of the Games for the "heart" that they bring to the Olympics.

**WHEN &
 WHERE:** Utah! Media Center
 Feb. 19 at 10:30 a.m

WHO: Brian Boitano and Bonnie Warner, co-chairs of the selection committee
 Lloyd Ward, CEO, USOC
 Steven J. Lund, President and CEO Nu Skin Enterprises
Selection committee alumni Olympians:
 Judy Blumberg, Ice Dancing '80, '84
 Alana Blahoski, Ice Hockey '98 Gold Medalist
 Andy Gabel, Speed Skating '88, '92, '94 Silver Medalist, '98
 Sheila Young Ochowicz, Speed Skating '72, '76 Gold, Silver and Bronze Medalist
 John Naber, Swimming '76 4-time Gold Medalist, Silver Medalist
 Bonnie St. John, Paralympics Skier '84 Silver and Bronze Medalist

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